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Interview Summary

Application No. 08/900,486	Applicant(s) Eric Anderson And Patricia Scardino
Examiner Tanh Nguyen	Group Art Unit 2782

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Tanh Nguyen

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Date of Interview Apr 7, 2000

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: amended claims (1, 11, 19, 21 and 22)

Identification of prior art discussed:

Howes et al. (4,403,303), Kare et al. (5,541,656) and Filion et al. (5,224,207)

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Interview was requested by applicant's representative to clarify the newly added limitations to the amended claims and not to reach an agreement. The newly added limitations for the controlling parameters (exposure mode, focus mode, ...) are for the purpose of establishing the electronic device being a camera. The newly added limitation for the set parameter commands (GetCapabilities command) allows the user to obtain the capabilities of the camera and the permissible values for selected parameters supporting the capabilities of the camera. The newly added limitations with respect to the parameter scripts are provided to establish that the parameter scripts are programs (not values) selected by the user and executed by the camera. The examiner acknowledged the clarification to the amended claims and would take the clarifications in consideration in reviewing the specifications, the prior art of record, and searching additional references if necessary when examining the amended claims upon receipt of a CPA.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

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